

## MOLINE MAN DIES IN HIS 82ND YEAR

P. A. Welander, Resident of Rock Island County Since 1871, Called to His Reward.

IS LONG ENGAGED IN FARMING

Wife and Four Children Are Survivors—Funeral from Swedish Lutheran Church Saturday.

P. A. Welander, 81 years old, and a resident of this vicinity since 1871, passed away at 6 o'clock last evening at his home, 1226 Sixth avenue, Moline. He was born in Sweden, Sept. 26, 1834, and came to this country in 1867. He was engaged in farming in South Moline township 21 years, settling there Nov. 29, 1871, and after this lived in Moline for 17 years. He is survived by the widow and the following children: N. O. Welander of Minneapolis, Bessie C. Welander of Chicago and Arnold and Emma at home.

Funeral will be held from the Swedish Lutheran church at 2:30 Saturday afternoon. Rev. A. F. Bergstrom will officiate and burial will be in Riverside cemetery.

Funeral of E. L. Larson. Funeral services were held for E. L. Larson in the home, 2617 Fifth avenue, Moline, yesterday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. A. F. Bergstrom of the Swedish Lutheran church officiating. Interment was in Riverside cemetery. Pallbearers are: Peter Johnson, Andrew Nelson, Andrew Johnson, Alfred Gorganson, John Johnson and John Hedstrom, and the Misses Martha Serene and Minnie Wistrand.

Funeral of Mrs. Emma Larson. Remains of Mrs. Emma Larson were laid to rest in Riverside cemetery yesterday afternoon and services conducted in the Rose and Barnard parlors and Emmanuel Lutheran church, Moline. Rev. C. A. Blomgren of Augustana college officiated and members of

Idun lodge, Ladies of Svithiod, were in charge.

### Funeral of Carl Nelson.

Funeral of Carl Nelson was held from the home, 4405 Sixth avenue, Rock Island, at 2:30 yesterday afternoon. Mrs. I. O. Notthstein officiating. Burial was in Riverside cemetery. The Misses Peterson, Olson and Kemp sang at the services, while pallbearers were Sanford Giles, Harry Neilson, Eric Holmgren, Lawrence Carlson, Henry Peterson and Louis Meyers.

### IN MOLINE LODGES

Program for the Saturday and Sunday meetings of Fritholm lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. T., were announced this morning by C. H. Thelme. Carl Holmsten of Chicago, member of the lodge and a speaker of unusual ability, will be in Moline for the two days and will deliver principal addresses at each of the gatherings. General public is invited by lodge members to attend the meetings. No admission will be charged. It is understood that the Holmsten addresses will touch principally upon the temperance subject. Program for Saturday night:

Address of welcome—Oscar Bergquist. Piano solo—Evelyn Dahlheim. Address, "Alcohol's Effect On Athletics"—Carl Holmsten. Vocal duet—Gustav Lofquist and Adolph Erickson. Declaration—Arvid Nelson. Program which will be given the following evening.

Address of welcome—John Freed. Piano solo—Evelyn Dahlheim. Declaration—Mrs. Jennie Falk. Lecture, "Thomas Edison"—Carl Holmsten.

Both meetings will be held in Swedish Olive hall on the second floor.

Ladies of the Macabees of Moline have, No. 119, held their semi-monthly meeting in Swedish Olive hall last evening, when regular matters came up for disposal. Arrangements have also been made for a card party, to be given in Swedish Olive hall the evening of April 19.

Semi-monthly business meeting of Leo council, No. 716, Knights of Columbus, was held last evening in Masonic hall. Due to the church meetings now being held, the session was a short one, only regular business being transacted.

### ROOF FIRE CAUSED BY CHIMNEY SPARKS

The house of Peter Mertz, 435 Fourth avenue, Moline, was damaged to the extent of \$400 by a fire which was discovered at 7:05 last evening. Sparks from the chimney set fire to the roof and the blaze had gained considerable headway by time the fire department arrived. Smoke penetrated into all parts of the house and much of the furniture was damaged. Fire broke out on the roof of the Charles Laptell home, 1918 Third avenue, Moline, early this morning. Damage was small. The fire was caused by sparks from the chimney.

### MEDICS ISSUE CALL FOR SPRING SESSION

The spring meeting of the Iowa and Illinois Central District Medical association will be held next Thursday, at the Rock Island club. There will be a dinner at the club at 6:30 in honor of Dr. Frank Billings, Chicago, who is to give the principal talk. The business session will be held at 8. Important matters to be taken up by the society are arrangements for a semi-centennial celebration by the association, which was organized in 1866, and consideration of proposed revision of the constitution.

## UNCOVER DEAL TO SILENCE HARDING

Rock Island Police Arrest Victim of an Automobile Accident Who Says He Was Paid \$50.

ESCORTED FROM THE HOSPITAL

Declares He Signed Paper Without Knowing Contents After Treated to Several Drinks.

Four weeks ago George Harding was struck by an automobile in Rock Island and rendered unconscious. Yesterday he was escorted from St. Anthony's hospital to the office of a local attorney, where he was paid \$50 and signed a paper releasing the owner of the automobile from liability as far as he is concerned, police said today.

Harding was in the yard of St. Anthony's hospital, authorities declared, when he was approached by a man who Harding said bought him several drinks and then took him to an attorney's office. He said he signed a paper and was given the money. He declared to police that he did not know what he had signed.

Late last night Patrolman Berry arrested Harding for being drunk. Berry is the officer who witnessed the accident and who signed a warrant charging Leroy Wilson of Davenport with violating the motor vehicle laws. Wilson is accused of being the owner of the automobile which struck and run down Harding at the corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-fourth street on the night of March 10. Harding was insensible for some time following the accident. It has just been the last few days that he has been able to be up.

Returned to Hospital. When he was arrested he had \$48.30 of the \$50 remaining in his possession. He was returned to the hospital today and police instructed that a close watch be kept upon him. They plan to prosecute the case and intend to use Harding as a witness. They fear, however, that unless he will testify they will be unable to secure a conviction.

## HEART RUPTURE CAUSE OF DEATH

Post Mortem by Physician Reveals Fact that George Christanthopoulos Succumbed to Attack.

A post mortem held yesterday afternoon over the remains of George Christanthopoulos, popcorn vendor, at Wheelan's undertaking parlors, revealed that a rupture of the heart caused his death. The examination was conducted by Dr. A. N. Mueller. The physician also found his kidneys in bad shape. Following the post mortem Coroner R. C. J. Meyer resumed the inquest and the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the findings of the physician. It is said that Christanthopoulos forecasted his death Tuesday afternoon when talking with two acquaintances. At that time he was quoted as saying it would be a hard thing to die, when all nature was blossoming out in its spring glory. Several hours later he suffered an attack of heart failure and died at 11 o'clock at St. Anthony's hospital.

The popcorn stand at the corner of Twentieth street and Third avenue, which Christanthopoulos owned, will revert to his heirs. Besides his nephew, James Kaffalos of Rock Island, he leaves three sisters and two brothers in Greece, it was learned today. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Greek church in Moline.

## U. P. CHURCH HAS PROSPEROUS YEAR

Raise \$2,000 at Every Member Canvass—Elect Officers of Congregation for 1916.

The congregation of the United Presbyterian church met in annual business session last evening at the church, electing officers, hearing reports, etc. Officers were chosen as follows: Chairman of congregation—C. E. Bryan. Clerk—Miss Edna Buettner. Treasurer—W. L. Aster. Financial secretary—W. R. Aster. Treasurer parsonage fund—Christian Keller.

Trustees for three years—George Corbitt, J. A. Nelson; for one year, Hugh A. Ralston. Sunday school officers who will serve the ensuing year are: Superintendent—E. B. McKown. Assistant—C. E. Bryan. Treasurer—J. D. Warnock. Secretary—Miss Minnie Toenniges. Reports were read by officers of the Sunday school, Ladies' Aid society, Kate Hill Mission society, parsonage fund committee, Young People's Christian union, Ladies' Missionary society, and treasurer of the congregation, the financial condition in every instance being most satisfactory.

J. D. Warnock reported that the every member canvass undertaken the last Sunday in March had been successfully carried out. Ten teams of two members each canvassed the congregation in three hours' time and received pledges for the mission fund and expense of \$2,000.

\*\*\*\*\* HANNIBAL NOT IN YET. \*\*\*\*\*

Chicago, April 6.—A check for \$1,000 deposited by Hannibal enthusiasts with representatives of the Three Eye league at Quincy virtually insures that city a place in the circuit. President Terney said today when news of it reached him here. The league will have to pass formally on the matter first, he said.

## OUTLINES SALOON POLICY FOR CITY

Rock Island Commission in Secret Session Considers Problems of Regulating Liquor Trade.

Initial meeting of the Rock Island municipal commission to outline its policy with relation to saloons and wholesale liquor houses, following the local option fight, was held today. The commission was in session behind closed doors for three hours.

It is known that the commission determined to raise the license of wholesale liquor dealers in Rock Island.

It is said increased licenses for saloons, possibly earlier closing, and other regulations discussed several months ago, were taken up at the meeting. Commissioners refused to be interviewed on what was discussed at the session. Announcement was made by Commissioner Rudgren that publicity would kill the plans of the commission, that it intended to work quietly and that whatever decisions it would make would be in private session, and later come to public knowledge when vote on ordinances dealing with the regulations is brought out in open council meeting.

There are at present 55 wholesale liquor houses in Rock Island. Moline going dry in another few weeks means the number will be increased. Rock Island being a convenient location as a center of distribution to Moline and Davenport.

Last fall an ordinance regulating wholesale liquor houses was passed. It was drawn up at the suggestion of Mayor McConchie, who first planned to fix a fee of \$200 per year. Later this was reduced to \$100 after appeals came from the wholesalers. They petitioned the council again for a reduction before the ordinance passed, suggesting a license fee of \$50 per year. The commission reconsidered the ordinance and made the license \$50.

Expect More Here. Influx of wholesale liquor dealers to Rock Island started several months before Jan. 1, when Iowa went dry. After the new year the number increased considerably. With Moline joining the dry column additional wholesale houses are expected to seek licenses to operate here and the commission desires to increase the license so as to be able to more effectively regulate them. Increased business that the wholesale houses will enjoy, also is reason partly for the commission raising the license.

What fee will be fixed could not be learned today. Whether the council plans to place the sum at \$200, as the former ordinance first had it, \$100 as it subsequently made it, or some other figure, none of the commissioners would say. When the commission several months ago modified the license fee it at first planned to incorporate in the amendments certain changes in

the saloon ordinance. One of these modifications was to increase the license to \$1,000. It is now \$800 per year. Commissioners in regular session expressed themselves at that time as favorable to further considering the increased license and other saloon regulations. A meeting was held the day following and after considerable discussion the council decided to only modify the ordinance, leaving the saloon regulations to some date following the election on the local option question.

Closing of the saloons at 11 o'clock was also advocated by the mayor in the regular session held at that time. Whether the council discussed this matter today is not known.

The commission decided at the meeting today to drain the territory lying between Fifth and Fourth avenues and Sixth and Seventh streets. Since the Mississippi has been near flood stage the west end of the city in parts has been inundated. It is planned to lay tile from the low sections to the sewers.

Boy Members Wanted. A campaign is to be conducted by the Moline Y. M. C. A. to increase its boy membership. The campaign will be marked by its brevity, continuing through two days only—April 13 and 14. During that time it is hoped to swell the number enrolled in the department by more than 100.

MAN BREAKS RIBS IN ACCIDENT AT PLANT. Martin Richardson, employee of the Peoples Power company at the substation at the foot of Twenty-third street, Rock Island, was seriously injured this morning when he fell and fractured several ribs on his right side. He was taken to St. Anthony's hospital, where Dr. Joseph DeSilva attended him.

Dr. DeSilva reported that the condition of Joseph James, who was injured in the auto crash at First street and Fifth avenue, Moline, Monday night, was critical today and fears are entertained that he may not recover. James had three fractured ribs on his right side and one of them penetrated the lung, causing pneumonia. James lives at 439 Ninth street, Moline.

LICENSED TO WED. Stanley E. Wilson, Moline. Miss Bessie Brown, Rock Island. Andrew G. Gustafson, Belmont, Mont. Miss Annie S. Roosevelt, Moline. Ernest Koch, Clinton, Iowa. Miss Charlotte Redfield, Clinton, Iowa. Alfred Benson, Minneapolis, Minn. Miss Hilma Erickson, Minneapolis, Minn. Victor Sandell, Moline. Miss Mary Swanson, Moline.

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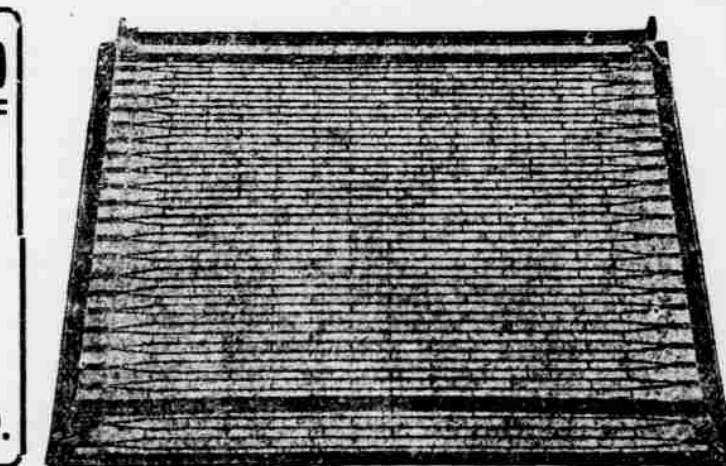
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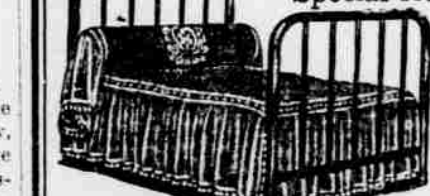


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